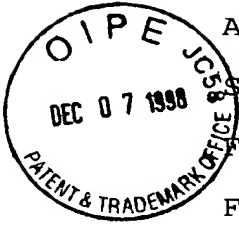


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-application, Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be amended as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 3, line 4, delete "t".

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-16, 18-26, 28-31, 33-40, and 46-49 by rewriting same to read as follows.

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 --1. (Amended) A data sending receiving apparatus comprising: